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Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
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RE: Docket No. 2009-489-E

Dear Commission Members:

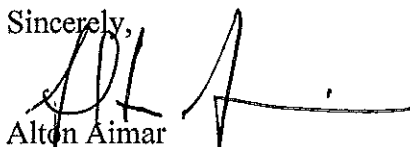
I am writing in regards to the SCE&G request for a rate hike. I have never written to you regarding a rate hike, nor have I ever opposed a rate hike.

Today, that is not the case. I have been unemployed since October 2009. I have depleted a vast percentage of my savings and can ill-afford a rate hike for utilities.

I suggest that SCE&G do what I have done; look internally for cost savings, cut back on expenses and dig into their reserves, before they come knocking on my door for more money.

I would suggest that the commission reject the rate hike request in its entirety.

Sincerely,

  
Alton Aimar

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